

a member integrally engaged with the substrate to extend circumferentially about the tubular cylinder;
the member being fabricated from a polymeric material;
the member having a peripheral cylindrical engagement surface adapted for rolling engagement with a component, wherein the self-lubricating roller bearing is adapted for simultaneous movable engagement with at least two discrete components.

24. (withdrawn) A roller with self-lubricating bearing, comprising:

a tubular insert, having;

an outer substrate; and

an inner load bearing layer bonded thereto;

a molded, polymeric roller;

the tubular insert disposed in concentric, in-situ-molded relationship with the molded, polymeric roller; and

the roller extending circumferentially about the tube.

25. (new) The self-lubricating connector of claim 1, wherein:

said member comprises a molded, polymeric roller, with the tubular insert being disposed in concentric, in-situ-molded relationship therewith.

Remarks

As required by the Examiner in the outstanding Office action, Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of the invention identified as Group II, and as further identified as Group III. Applicants further elect the species shown in Fig. 4. Claims 1-20, 22-23, and new claim 25, are readable thereon.

Support for new claim 25 is provided by original claims 24 and 2, such that no new matter has been added and no new search

is required. In addition, Claims 12-18 and 20 have been amended in a non-narrowing fashion to correct some minor typographical errors.

CONCLUSION

This application is now believed to be in condition for allowance, and such action at an early date is respectfully requested. However, if the Examiner believes there are any remaining issues, Applicant's undersigned representative respectfully requests a telephone call to discuss the case.

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